(b) whether Tenth Finance Commission recommended some other criteria in this regard; the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) All the 15 Non-Special Category States namely, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Punjab, Rajathan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal are covered under the provisions of revised Gadgil-Mukherjee Formula approved by the National Development Council in December, 1991 for the allocation of normal Central assistance to the States. The formula, inter-alia, includes the criterion of "special problems" with 7.5 per cent weight.

(b) No, Sir. Any change in the formula could be made only with the approval of National Development Council.

Eradication of Rural Poverty in Orissa

3212. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been laying stress on the eradication of rural poverty through self employment and wage earning programmes;

(b) if so, whether any such programme has been introduced in Orissa during last five years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) The Government is committed to eradication of rural poverty through self employment and wage earning programmes. The three major Centrally Sponsored programmes for poverty eradication being implemented in the rural areas throughout the country are (i) Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP), (ii) Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) and (iii) the Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS). While the IRDP is a self employment programme, the JRY and the EAS are wage employment programmes.

(b) In 1989, two erstwhile wage-employment programmes namely; National Rural Employment Programme and Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme were merged into a single wage employment programme and renamed as Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) with a significant increase in the outlay. Intensified JRY or JRY (Second Stream) was introduced in 1993-94 in 120 backward districts of the country where there is a concentration of unemployment and under-employment. Nine districts of Orissa are covered under the Second Stream of JRY. The EAS was launched on 2nd October, 1993 in 1778 backward block situated in the drought prone areas, desert areas, tribal areas and hill areas in which the Revamped Public Distribution System (RPDS) is in operation. The EAS is presently being implemented in 2368 blocks in all the States and UTs excluding Goa, Punjab, Delhi, Chandigarh and Pondicherry. 175 Blocks of Orissa are covered under the EAS. The IRDP has been in operation in all the Blocks of the Country including Orissa w.e.f. 2.10.1980.

(c) Details are given in the attached statement.

Statement

Allocation (Centre+State) of funds for major rural development programmes in Orissa during the last three years (i.e. 1992-93 to 1994-95)

(Rs. lakhs)

Programme	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
IRDP	3198 00	6826.00	6769.00
JRY (1st Stream)	16036.90	19972.66	21948.43
JRY (IInd Stream)	—	7143.75	7143·75
EAS	—	5335·00*	8625.00*

* Funds released : as no statewise allocations are made under EAS.

Target and Achievement under major rural development programmes in Orissa during the last three years (i.e. 1992-93 to 1994-95)

Programmes	1992-93		1993-94 (Prov*)		1994-95	
	Target	Ach.	Target	Ach.	Target	Ach.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
IRDP (No. of families)	90457	93226	165479	160000	135362	79223*
JRY (Lakh mandays) Ist Stram	306.52	326.39	557.70	479.07	522·34	284.05†
2nd Stream	—	—	—	43·89	154.31	111.13†
EAS (Lakh mandays)	—	—	††	31.43	††	189.85†

*Upto February, 1995

††Upto January, 1995

††No target is assigned for EAS as it is a need based programme.

Difference in per capita expenditure between rural and urban areas of Gujarat and Maharashtra

3213. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any disparity in the per capita expenditure incurred in rural and urban areas of Gujarat and Maharashtra.

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to set up any commission to conduct a survey to remove this disparity;